



Press Release

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PRESS RELEASE **December 1, 2011**

This is a brief press release in regards to an injury accident, case # 11-69660, which we handled on Thursday, December 1, 2011.

Units from the Lake County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to the parking lot of the *Bed, Bath, and Beyond* store located at 9700 Mentor Ave, in Painesville Twp. regarding a female pedestrian. She had been struck by a tractor trailer in the parking lot of the store.

Preliminary investigation, and witness statements indicate the following facts. A full size tractor trailer truck was stopped in the front of the *Bed, Bath, and Beyond* store near the entrance/exit. A 62 year old female Concord Twp. resident had exited the store, and apparently moved to walk around the front of the truck to go to the parking lot. This action seems to have coincided with the operator of the tractor trailer starting to pull forward away from the front of the store. It appears at this point that the pedestrian was struck with the right front corner of the tractor, and was knocked to the ground. It appears at this point that the right front tire of the tractor did roll over part of the female's leg, and side.

The female was taken by rescue squad to Tri-Point Hospital, and was then subsequently flown by Life Flight Helicopter to Cleveland Metro Hospital for treatment of her injuries. The truck driver, a 61 year old Virginia resident, remained on scene, and is cooperating with the investigation.

This Crash remains under investigation.

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